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In the Application of:

Thomas W. Lynch

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For: SYMBIOTIC COMPUTING SYSTEM
AND METHOD OF OPERATION
THEREFOR

§ Group Art Unit: 2152

§ Examiner: Prieto, Beatriz

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby respond to the Final Office Action mailed October 9, 2003 by filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) along with this Response. Included herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time and requisite fee of \$55 that extends the response date to February 9, 2004. Enclosed herewith is a Credit Card Payment form for a total of \$495. Although the Applicants do not believe any additional claim fees are due, if such fees are due, charge such fees to Deposit Account 50-2126.